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Govt. gives nod to prepare DPR for Peripheral Ring Road

MUDA's proposal to hire Project Consultant to prepare DPR okayed

Mysuru, Jan. 13 (RK&BS)- The proposed Peripheral Ring Road (PRR) in the outskirts of Mysuru has got a fresh push with the Urban Development Department giving its consent to the proposal of Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) to invite tender to appoint a Project Consultant for preparing a Detailed Project Report (DPR).

In a recent notification dated Dec. 16, 2022, from the Office of Under Secretary to the Government, Development Authority and Town Planning Service, Urban Development Department, it has been given a go ahead with five strictures to be followed.

According to the copy of the notification, the tender should be invited on the lines of — Request for Proposal (RFP) utilising KC-8 Standard Bid Document under Least Cost Selection (LCS) of Rule 28D of Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurements (KTPP) Act.

The five strictures are as follows: The Authority (read MUDA) should bear the expenditures for the preparation of Detailed Project Report from its own resources. In the tender notification, only details of the project, required scope of work and the period of preparing the report should be mentioned. The Implementation Authority should not mention the estimated cost of preparing project report. After preparing DPR and during framing of the project, the Authority has to decide on including the project under Bharat Mala-Stage 2 or relevant project. KTPP rules should be mandatorily followed and involve / obtain the service.

(See PERIPHERAL RING ROAD on page 7)

Legal Aid Defense Counsel Office inaugurated in city

National Lok Adalat to be held on Feb. 11

Mysuru, Jan.13 (RK&DM)- In yet another measure to provide legal assistance to citizens, the Office of the Legal Aid Defense Counsel started functioning from today at ADR Centre in new Court Complex at Malalavadi (Jayanagar).

Principal District and Sessions Court Judge M.L. Raghunath inaugurated the Office by cutting the tape. The Office has a team of five advocates, who under the leadership of senior advocate M.S. Naveen, will provide legal aid for free to everyone whose annual income is less than Rs. 3 lakh. These advocates are initially appointed for a one-year period and cannot do private legal practice in a Court of Law during this period.

(See DEFENSE COUNSEL on page 7)

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Friday 13th January 2023

Former Union Minister
Sharad Yadav passes away

New Delhi, Jan. 13 - Former Union Minister and one of the country's most prominent Socialist leaders, Sharad Yadav, passed away yesterday. He was 75.

Sharad Yadav was ailing for a long time and had collapsed at his home in Delhi yesterday and was rushed to Gurugram's Fortis Memorial Research Institute in an unconscious state.

A statement from Gurugram's Fortis Memorial Research Institute said, "On examination, he did not have any pulse or recordable blood pressure. He underwent CPR as per ACLS protocols. Despite best efforts, he could not be revived and was declared dead at 10.19 pm."

Sharad Yadav had served as a Minister in the Atal Bihari Vajpayee Government in the late '90s and the VP Singh Government in 1989.

A three-time Member of Rajya Sabha, he was elected to the Lok Sabha seven times. The Founder-Member of Bihar's ruling Janata Dal United, he quit after Chief Minister Nitish Kumar ended the Grand Alliance and joined hands with the BJP.

In 2018, he launched his own party, the Loktantrik Janata Dal, but merged it with Lalu Yadav's Rashtriya Janata Dal two years later, saying it was the "first step towards a united opposition."

Condolences poured in, with Prime Minister Narendra Modi taking to Twitter saying, *"Pained by the passing away of Shri Sharad Yadav Ji. In his long years in public life, he distinguished himself as MP and Minister. He was greatly inspired by Dr. Lohia's ideals. I will always cherish our interactions. Condolences to his family and admirers. Om Shanti."*

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

When the mind is vulnerable, it gets fractured and is in pain, it causes suffering, but very often it is invisible in a person with a stoic exterior. The remedy is not a standard one, and the stigma is a huge deterrent to those who need help to fix themselves or their loved ones. This is perhaps why it is more acceptable to seek a spiritual guru's guidance and blessings rather than consult a psychiatrist or psychologist; it could also be why there is an increasing proliferation of self-help books flooding the market, with life coaches, podcasts and Ted talks seen as safer options than to get medical treatment and end up getting branded as 'mental'.

The good news is that so long as your mental affliction is a mild one that does not need medical intervention, anyone or anything can fulfil the role of a therapist — teacher, relative, partner, friend, stranger, pet dog, books and, of course, a genuine guru — so that you have a sounding board and that in itself makes you feel better and puts you on the path to healing. Personal spiritual practices like meditation and chanting may help as well, as do listening to music or creating artworks, as these are all activities that contribute to calming an agitated mind.

Active social interaction is being held up as a health-affirming activity that not only keeps you active but also provides opportunities to experience compassion and care. Sharing, being kind and caring are all ingredients that go to make peace and harmony possible. Also, spending time with oneself is a great way to find greater clarity, enabling you to know more about yourself.

How you live your day today is what will contribute to how you live your life, so making the most of whatever time is available, is a good way to begin the healing process. *— Narayani Ganesh in The Times of India*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Smallest rabbit breed that fits in the palm

New York: The Columbia Basin Pygmy Rabbit is the smallest and perhaps the rarest rabbit breed in the world. It is native to just one part of the Washington State Area, and weighs under 500 grams.

Though the tiniest, they are wild breed and doesn't make a great pet. The Columbia Basin Pygmy Rabbit is skittish, nervous and critically endangered. The breed was declared extinct in the wild in 2001, when the last 14 specimens were scooped up from their native habitat and zoos helped them multiply.

When they are chased, they show quick, irregular movements that are designed to evade and confuse their predators instead of outdistancing them.

The world famous musical calculator player

Seoul: Chaco Chaco is a popular South Korean Youtuber whose claim to fame is the ability to reproduce popular songs on one or multiple musical calculators.

Calculators are handy when dealing with math, but one particular calculator is actually more popular as a musical instrument. The Egoelife AR-7778 and AR-8001 are designed as instruments and even come with instructions on how to use them as such. But, just like with any other musical instrument, you need talent and practice to produce music worth listening to, otherwise, you're just using it as a cool toy. That's what sets Chaco Chaco, a musical calculator artist with over 800,000 subscribers on YouTube alone, apart from pretty much any other musical calculator user.

Chaco Chaco has been producing content on YouTube since 2018, but it was only in mid-2020 that his channel really blew up.

HEALTH CAPSULE

All Women experience glow less and dry skin and hair in winter. Body aches and pains are common for menopausal women. Make sure to drink lot of water, avoid carbonated fluids. Moisture your skin with any moisturiser and take lot of citrus fruits and different winter special Veggies to improve immunity and gut health. Regularly take milk and walk in morning sun for Vitamin D, getting your bones stronger and healthier.

By Dr. Shaheen Akhtar - Consultant – Obstetrics And Gynecology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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Free Health Camp on Jan. 18

Mysuru, Jan. 13- Nayana Kumar's Multi-Speciality Hospital has organised a free health camp at its premises in Dattagalli on Jan. 18 between 10 am and 2 pm.

Benefits at the camp include free registration and consultation from expert doctors, free Bone Marrow Density (BMD) check-up; On doctor's advice, ultrasound scanning and any other tests will be done at 20 percent discount. Any surgery advised by doctors will also be done at a discounted price. Suvarna Arogya Suraksha Trust (SAST) - Ayushman Bharat - Arogya Karnataka, Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESI), Arogya Bhagya Yojane (ABY) and all major Insurance Companies have been empanelled.

For details, contact Mob: 95133-10100 or 95133-10102.

New office-bearers of Mysuru Realtors Association

Mysuru. Jan.13- The following have been elected as the new office-bearers of Mysuru Realtors Association for the period 2022--2024 at the Annual General Body Meeting held at a private hotel in city recently. They are: P. Mahaveer (President), N.V. Sateesh (Vice-President), M.S. Rajesh (Secretary), M.L. Nagesh (Joint Secretary) and B.R. Sathyanarayana (Treasurer).

REALLY...?

- ***Elephants never forget. They can hear through their feet.***
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- ***They feel their way around with their trunks and eat the salts by breaking them off with their tusks.***
- ***Elephants can't live without their trunks. They use dirt as sunscreen.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Mulla Nasrudin was sitting under a tree chatting with a neighbour, when his boy came up the road carrying a chicken. *"Where did you get that chicken?"* ***Nasrudin asked his boy.*** *"Stole it,"* ***said the boy. Mulla Nasrudin turned to his friend and said proudly,*** *"This is my boy. He may steal, but he won't lie !!"*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 81.42
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 99.21
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 22.17
1 Euro	= Rs. 88.23

VOICE OF THE READER

Mysuru-Chennai route: Convert Shatabdi into Jan Shatabdi Fast Express train

Sir,

Most of us feel that the timings of Vande Bharat and Shatabdi trains clash without serving the purpose of the passengers belonging to upper class or middle class families.

Please run the trains with similar timings in opposite directions and connect a few bogies for middle class people also. Or run one train of Vande Bharat for upper class and Jan Shatabdi fast train for middle class and general public. If the Railway Ministry is looking into adopting cost effective mode and to ease the rush, the very demand must be seriously looked into..

Middle class people are neglected indirectly by hiking the cost of Superfast Express trains, with all the AC bogies. The Ministry may look into this matter to convert Shatabdi as Jan Shatabdi Fast Express Train with little extra cost compared to other trains. Railways will surely get a better revenue throughout the year on Mysuru-Chennai route.

Mysuru-Bengaluru-Trichy sector badly needs inter-city Jan Shatabdi via Namakkal. For the last 40 years, only one night train is operated on Mysuru-Mayiladuthurai route via Trichy. Why has the Railway Ministry ignored and neglected this route?

—**G. Sarabagopalan**

Bengaluru 9.1.2023

MRC postpones Tenth Day Mysore Winter Races

To hold two extra race days next month

Mysuru, Jan. 13- The Stewards of Mysore Race Club (MRC) Limited have decided to postpone the Tenth Day Betway Mysore Winter Races 2022-23 to be held on Jan. 18 (Wednesday) to Jan. 19 (Thursday).

The MRC Stewards have also decided to conduct two extra race days during the season on the following days:

First Extra Race Day will be on Wednesday, 8th February and Second Extra Day on Thursday, 9th February, according to a press release from the MRC Secretary and CEO.

Natl. Conference on Agricultural Transformation: Entries invited

Mysuru, Jan. 13- The Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy in collaboration with Department of Studies in Anthropology, University of Mysore, has organised a two-day National Conference on *"Agricultural Transformation and Rural Development in India: Issues, Challenges and Way Forward"* on Mar. 9 and 10 at UoM campus. It is sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi. Interested academicians, faculties, Research Scholars, Progressive farmers and NGO members can participate and present paper in this Conference. For details contact Dr. V.G. Siddaraju, Conference Convener on Mob: 94807-71681 or Ph: 0821-2419362 or UoM website *www.uni-mysore.ac.in.*

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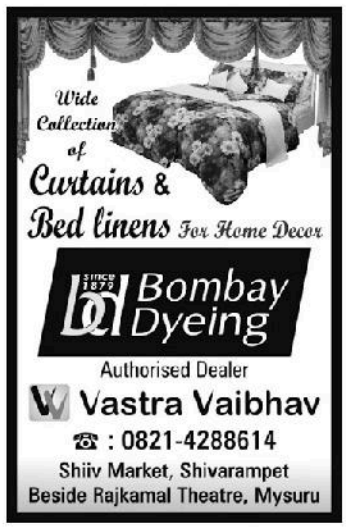

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NEWS BRIEFS

CAVA Mela

City's Chamarajendra Government College of Visual Arts (popular by the name CAVA-Chamarajendra Academy of Visual Arts) will be holding its three-day annual CAVA Mela from Jan.19 to 21 at its premises located in Siddarthanagar, according to a press release.

Aadhaar Kendra closed on Jan. 15

The Aadhaar Seva Kendra in Saraswathipuram, Mysuru, will remain closed on Jan. 15 on the occasion of Makara Sankranthi. However, the Aadhaar Seva Kendra at Vijayanagar, will remain open on Jan. 15 (Sunday), according to a press release from Col. N.G. Krishna Prasad (Retd.), Centre Manager.

Prize winners

The following students are the winners of 'H.S. Gangamma and Smt. B.R. Kaveramma Inter-High School English Essay Writing Competition' held at CFTRI School recently: I prize: C.B. Swarna - Excel Public School and II prize - Raaga Achar - Podar International School. Prizes were awarded to them during the School Cultural Day held at Kalamandira.

Ph.D awardee

S. Poornima has been awarded Ph.D in Commerce by the University of Mysore (UoM) for her thesis 'Impact of Brand Image on Consumer Buying Behaviour of FMCG Products — A Study of Mysuru District' [Guide: Dr. H.C. Honnappa]

WATER LEVEL

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Maximum	:	124.80 feet
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Maximum	:	2,284.00 feet
Today	:	2,272.10 feet
Inflow	:	305 cusecs
Outflow	:	Nil

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00 feet
Today	:	2,828.61 feet
Inflow	:	112 cusecs
Outflow	:	70 cusecs

'I am a BJP worker, have got many cops transferred'

Santro Ravi had gone on record, bragging about his links in the statement given to Rajarajeshwari Nagar Police, B'luru, in Jan. 2022

By S.T. Ravikumar

Mysuru, Jan. 13- Even as K.S. Manjunath alias Santro Ravi keeps the Police and politicians on tenterhooks, especially ruling BJP Ministers with whom his photos are available aplenty, with many secrets tumbling out of the casket, the latest is his own admission of being 'a BJP worker running transfer lobby'.

Santro Ravi

Ravi who is known for his immoral trafficking racket is on the run ever since he was booked by Vijayanagar Police in Mysuru on the charges of sexual assault, forceful marriage and caste abuse on the complaint of his second wife.

In his statement to Rajarajeshwari Nagar Police, Bengaluru, exactly a year ago in Jan. 2022, Ravi himself has gone on record that 'I am a BJP worker and has got many Police officers transferred.'

On Jan. 21, 2022, Jagadish of Rajarajeshwari Nagar had lodged a complaint with local Police (Rajarajeshwari Nagar) and also the ACP of Kengeri Sub-Division, Bengaluru, alleging that Ravi has been conning Government officers promising to help them with transfer. To win over them, he was showing his photos taken along with political leaders. Besides, he was claiming his wife as a High Court advocate and had a fleet of two to three cars.

Following the complaint, Ravi had rushed to the Police Station the following day, only to brag about his 'khaki links.' Besides claiming to be a BJP worker, he had also revealed that he had helped two Police officers in their transfers. He had also boasted about his contacts in Home Minister's Office like PA, Minister's friends, officers at DG and IGP Office. He had even made efforts to get a KAS officer transferred-as submitted in his statements to the Police.

In his written statement submitted to Inspector B.N. Lohit of Rajarajeshwari Nagar Police Station, Ravi had also promised to stay away from interfering in Police transfers and financial transactions henceforth and won't do any acts that may dent the image of political leaders.

Giving his personal details, Ravi had further stated that "My father Siddashetty was an ASI in Excise Department, who passed away 14 to 15 years ago. I did my Primary and PU education in Mandya and my wife Vanajakshi is a High Court advocate and my two children are studying in Mysuru. There were two cases booked under immoral trafficking at Kuvempunagar and Yelwal Police Stations in Mysuru in 2005, in which I was acquitted by the Court."

Sharing the details related to his cellphones, Ravi had stated "I had bought one cellphone in the name of my friend Ganesh Babu hailing from Mysuru and another in the name of Natesh a native of Holenarasipur. I have been using the SIM cards purchased in the names of others."

Revealing his ties with BJP, Ravi had also gone on record stating 'I have been associated with BJP from four to five years and have acquaintance with MPs, MLAs and leaders of that party. I also have financial transactions with Mysuru native Ganesh Babu, Ravikumar and Srivatsa.'

'Being a BJP worker, I have got several officers transferred using the influence of MPs, MLAs and leaders, sans any commission for the favour', Ravi has explained further about his clout.

Listing the names of the officers he has helped, Ravi has said 'I have got Police Inspector G. K. Subramanya transferred from State Intelligence to Channarayapatna as Circle Inspector and Halagur Station SI Ravikumar to Malavalli Police Station one or two months ago.'

Besides, Ravi had claimed to have sent a message to Vikram a Personal Assistant at Home Minister's Office regarding the transfers of Ashoknagar Police Inspector and Shivamogga Police Inspector Rajendra on Jan. 19 and Jan, 21 respectively. Basavaraj Oddala, a native of Shivamogga is in the coterie of the Home Minister and through him Ravi had sent a message regarding the transfer of Inspector B. B. Girish to Ashoknagar Police Station. Regarding the transfer of same Inspector (Girish), Ravi had also sent a message to Srinath a friend of the Home Minister on Jan. 15.

Likewise, Ravi had made efforts for the transfer of Police Inspector Rajeev to Kumbalgod (Jan.13), besides seeking information pertaining to list of vacant posts in Police Stations on the night of Jan.1 from Kiran, working at DG and IGP's Office, followed by KAS officer Anand from Bangalore Development Authority (BDA), Bangalore to Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA), Mysuru, on the night of Jan. 9, PSI Mahesh at the Office of IGP (Southern Range) to Halagur Police Station on Jan.7.

Despite these shocking details, Ravi walks out and the then Rajarajeshwari Nagar Inspector B. N. Lohit also lets him go scot free by merely collecting the statement, that has cast many aspersions.

A senior Police officer who claimed anonymity told *SOM* "In such cases, especially when Santro Ravi himself has stated about carrying out a transfer lobby with politicians help, Inspector Lohit should have either filed a First Information Report (FIR) or submitted a report to Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB), that ceases to exist, as such cases should be dealt come under Prevention of Corruption Act."

Is Santro Ravi BJP worker? CM directs to check claim

Bengaluru, Jan. 13 (KMS& BS)- With Santro Ravi's episode turning murkier putting the State Government in a spot of bother, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai has directed to check whether Ravi is a BJP worker or not.

Speaking to media persons in the wake of KPCC former President Dinesh Gundurao's tweet alleging that 'Ravi is a BJP worker', CM Bommai said "Congress party is turning into a gateway for bad politics. They should clean their house first."

"Congress is politically bankrupt and Dinesh Gundurao is aware about the stature of his leaders. I won't stoop to their level, but insist that they (Congress) should learn to keep their house in order first," said CM Bommai.

To a question on the promise of free power supply made by KPCC President D.K. Shivakumar if the party comes to power in the forthcoming elections, CM Bommai dismissed it as a 'promise made in a huff with no intention to implement it. It is also clear that they want to win the elections by hook or crook, by making false promises.'

"It's ok if Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal says that (about free sops), as he is a novice. When in power, Congress couldn't supply power for six hours without any complaint. How can they supply free power", asked CM Bommai.

Cops stumble upon Ravi's driver, interrogate him

Mysuru, Jan. 13 (RK&BS)- The Police who are on the trail of elusive Santro Ravi, have taken into custody his car driver identified as Girish, near Ramanagara.

Ramanagara SP Santosh Babu-led Police team stumbled upon Girish, when they were conducting searches for Ravi at home stays and resorts in the district. They are inquiring Girish about the whereabouts of Ravi.

On the other hand, SP Santosh Babu who came to Mysuru yesterday, discussed with City Police Commissioner B. Ramesh about the ongoing search operation.

Ravi who was hiding in a house at Kallahalli in Mandya four days ago, later shifted his hideout to Shravanabelagola in Hassan and a farm house near Ramanagara.

Acting on the tip off, Police conducted searches at the above places, but Ravi managed to escape and continue to evade them.

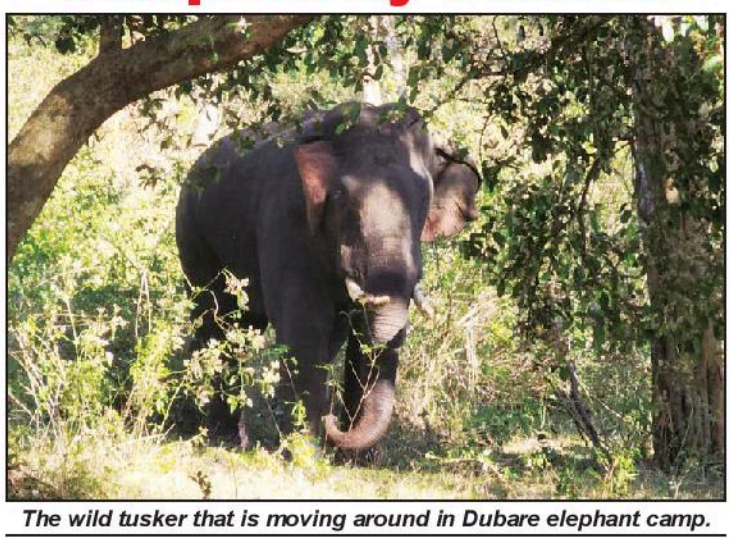
DSS wants Govt's dismissal, Prez rule

Mysuru, Jan. 13 (PM&BS)- Demanding the dismissal of State BJP Government and imposition of President's rule in the State for the failure to arrest Santro Ravi, Dalitha Sangharsha Samiti (DSS) workers staged a protest near Deputy Commissioner's office in city yesterday.

The protestors alleged that it has been 12 days since a case of sexual assault, forceful marriage and caste abuse was registered against Santro Ravi at Vijayanagar Police Station, on the complaint of a dalit woman, but the Police have not arrested him yet.

Attack on Dasara elephant Gopi by wild tusker

Tourist entry to Dubare temporarily banned



The wild tusker that is moving around in Dubare elephant camp.

Kushalnagar, Jan. 13 (MTY&KS)- In the wake of a wild tusker in musth attacking and injuring Dasara elephant Gopi at the Dubare elephant camp and wandering around the camp since two days, the Forest Department authorities, keeping the safety of tourists in mind, have temporarily banned the entry of visitors to the camp till the wild tusker is driven back into the forest.

The wild tusker, which entered the camp at about 12.30 am on Tuesday, had attacked Gopi, who was also in musth and chained, injuring him near his ear, shoulder, knee and stomach. Gopi, who had sustained minor injuries, was treated by well-known veterinarian Dr. Chittiappa. Gopi is recovering and is consuming food on his own.

As the wild tusker is still moving around the camp, the Forest staff are keeping a watch on him day and night and as a precautionary step, the Forest authorities have temporarily banned the entry of people to the elephant camp.

Couple unite in death

Mysuru, Jan. 13 (SBD&KS)- An 83-year-old man died within a few hours of his wife passing away, thus uniting her in death.

The couple, who died on the same day is Vasudeva (83) and his wife Chandramma (76), residents of Aravindanagar in city. They passed away yesterday.

They leave behind son Mohan Kumar, three daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Vasudeva had served as a newspaper distributor for 45 years and the couple was married for 52 years. They used to prepare jamoon and other sweet items and supply it to hotels and shops.

Chandramma was suffering from heart-related ailments and about 20 days ago, Vasudeva had suffered paralysis. Worried about her husband's health condition, Chandramma died yesterday at about 10.10 am. As

Chandramma and Vasudeva

the couple's children had to arrive from other States, the last rites of Chandramma was decided to be held today (Friday), but Vasudeva too breathed his last at about 7.10 pm yesterday, uniting his wife in death.

Last rites were held at Jodi Tenginamara Burial Grounds at Bannimantap this afternoon, according to family sources.

Newspaper Distributors' Welfare Association President J.S. Homadeva, office-bearers and members have condoled the death of Vasudeva and Chandramma couple.

Obituary

Theetharamada Deep Belliappa

Mysuru, Jan. 13- Theetharamada Deep Belliappa (71), a native of Kodagu, passed away at Mississauga in Canada yesterday. He leaves behind his wife Lekha, son Kamal, daughter-in-law Rukshana, grandson Dilan and a host of relatives and friends, according to family sources.

Dr. Rekha Rajagopal

Dr. Rekha Rajagopal (67) of Vijaya Clinic in Vidyaranyapuram and a resident of J.P. Nagar, passed away yesterday in city.

Wife of late Dr. Rajagopal, she leaves behind one son, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends. Her body will be donated to JSS Hospital as per her wish after her children arrive from the USA tomorrow.

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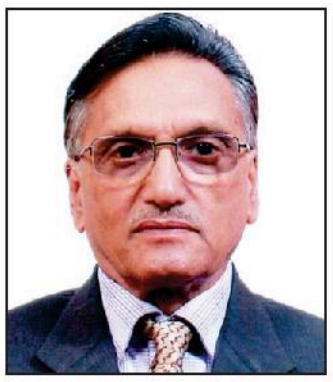
Looking Back on Independence Saga



By R. Chandra Prakash

Independence struggle has been substantially dissected, deliberated and detailed during the past 75 years. However, the dogmatic distortions in its narration have only increased the hunger for unravelling the mystery surrounding the incidents and the individuals who fought and struggled for freedom.

Ram Madhav's book ***"Partitioned Freedom"*** is an outcome of author's strong conviction that "Talking about that (partition) tragedy was considered politically incorrect and anti-secular. It was only after many decades, when the relations between the countries touched their nadir, pushing the world to the brink of nuclear war, did some debate over Partition and its fallacy begin prominently." He is of the opinion that however fictitious the Two-Nation-Theory might have been, it has not only divided the territory but also hearts. **Therefore, revisiting horrors of the Partition is needed not just as an academic exercise, nor to hate anybody, but to learn appropriate lessons and avoid another Partition.**

This book deals with many incidents and individuals responsible for changing the direction of freedom movement that led to the Partition.

The Root Cause

The Partition of India, which author feels 'Nobody Wanted it, But Nobody Stood Up', was a gruesome event and the rationality of it is being questioned even today. Whether all the efforts of freedom **struggle** yielded the Independence, or the **circumstances** forced the British to leave India that resulted in our freedom is still a matter of unending debate. It also raised many questions regarding the fundamental sociological construct of the land. Author has dealt in great details the events leading to and post 1857 revolt, which he prefers to call as First War of Independence and strongly decries calling it a Sepoy Mutiny. These events led not only to the emergence of Islamic political ambitions but also created a deep rift within the freedom struggle. A country which had undergone two major colonial dominance over a millennia was confronted with a wide communal divide within few years of fight for political independence. The consequence was a Partitioned Freedom.

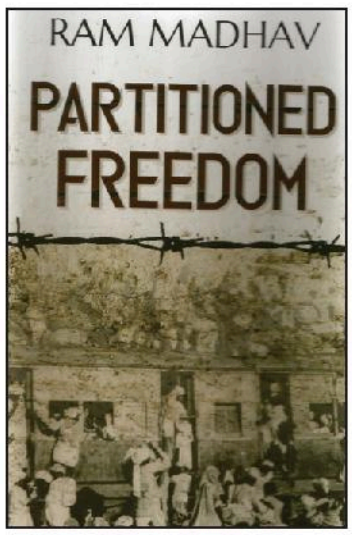
Division of Bengal -A Precursor

The intention of the British in dividing Bengal was to suppress the freedom movement led by the Indian National Congress, centred around capital Calcutta and Bengal Province. Even though the plan boomeranged by further intensifying the independence effort, it yielded unexpected gift to the colonial rulers in the form of consolidation of Islamic movement and the formation of Muslim League. This, in turn, provided the British an opportunity to invent and successfully implement Divide and Rule policy. All the events that took place thereafter were leading towards a Partition of the country.

Ambassador of Unity turns Champion of Partition

Author has dealt with the issue of Hindu-Muslim Unity and the turn of events during the freedom movement in great detail. Jinnah was a London-graduated barrister and an associate of Gokhale. He had joined the Congress in 1906 and had become Secretary of Congress stalwart, Dadabhai Naoroji. He had opposed the Partition of Bengal, describing it as "the obnoxious virus introduced into body politic of India with evil design." He had opposed the provision of separate electorates under the Minto-Morley Reforms in 1909, arguing that they reduced Indian politics into 'two watertight compartments.' And in 1913, Jinnah even told the Islington Committee on administrative reforms that "I do not see why a Hindu should not be in charge of a district where the majority happens to be Mohemmedan."

Therefore, by the time of Gandhi joining the Congress, Jinnah was already a tall Muslim leader in the party. Both Jinnah and Gandhi had a common nativity and language — Gujarati, but belonged to two different religions. However, the rift between the two and Gandhi's preference to Ali Brothers, despite their changing positions, had grave consequences. Jinnah, an ambassador of Hindu-Muslim Unity turned into a successful 'Champion of Partition.' He very ingeniously used the Khilafat issue as not only a clash within Europe, but a clash between the Cross and the Crescent, to consolidate the Islamists within the country and to arm-twist the British on the one hand and the Congress on the other to yield to their demands.



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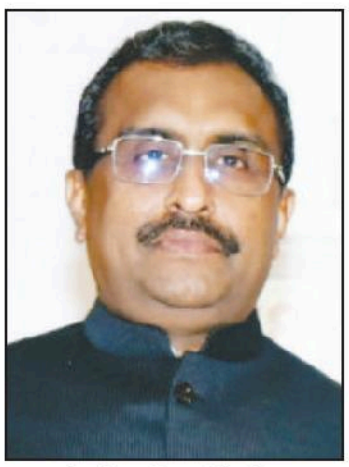
Author states that "... in its competitive bargaining for Muslim League's support, the Congress leadership gave up on those sane and secular Muslim leaders and leaned more and more on the communal and fundamentalist elements in the community." The consequence was the Partition of the country.

Blind Faith in Unity

Gandhi's strong belief in the communal harmony were rooted in his success during his South Africa days. This success also crowned him with sobriquet of 'Mahatma' which accompanied him to India. However, while glorifying Gandhi's South Africa success, legal as well as socio-political, the fact that both Hindu and Muslim there were a very small communities in a larger demography cannot be overlooked. Gandhi's steadfast belief and insistence on communal harmony in a very large country that India was, with its long colonial history led to disastrous consequences and raise many theoretical questions.

Author provides several instances where Gandhi's blind faith in unity only further divided the two communities. When Maulana Mohemmed Ali, whom Gandhi preferred over then secular Jinnah, had stated that 'an adulterous Mussalman is superior to Mahatma Gandhi' enraged Hindus, Gandhi simply explained the statement away. Gandhi called the rebellious and murderous Moplas as 'human' but categorised the conduct of Hindu Chauri Chaura protestors as 'inhuman.'



Author Ram Madhav

To prevent any outrage against Muslims in case of his death during fast, he ensured that regular *Quran* recital were arranged during his fasts. To placate feelings of Muslims, Gandhi modified Hindu bhajan *'Raghupati Raghava Rajaram'* to add *'Ishwar-Allah Tere Naam.' Vande Matarm,* which was a clarion call for a unified Bengal in 1905 and later on became the National song, was truncated to only first two stanzas in 1937 under pressure from the Muslim League and finally was replaced by Mohammad Iqbal's song *'Saare Jahan Se Accha-Hindustan Hamara.'* Ironically, the poet who wrote these lines preferred to live in Pakistan!

Could Partition be Averted?

As late as in 1944, Lord Wavell, the Viceroy had stated "India is a God-made triangle; you cannot divide it." But within three years India was partitioned between India and Pakistan.

Therefore, author Ram Madhav ponders that Bengal's Partition was announced in 1904 but annulled seven years later, in 1911. India's partition was demanded in 1940 and executed seven years later, in 1947. If Congress had launched Vande Mataram Movement to oppose Partition of Bengal in 1905, it announced Quit India Movement to oppose India's Partition in 1943. The Vande Mataram Movement was a grand success. It forced the British monarch to come down to India in order to declare Partition null and void. But Quit India Movement, after having picked up a nationwide momentum, soon fizzled out. Gandhi himself admitted that "Quit India Movement had lapsed'.

Author ponders: Could the last seven years before partition be any different (from the seven years of 1904-11)? Could Jinnah be weakened? And could Partition have been averted?

Lessons from the Partition

The vivisection of Pakistan and the emergence of Bangladesh in 1971 throw up larger question for India. Author feels that now "It is not just about the hypothesis whether it (India's Partition) could have been prevented. **It is about whether another Partition can knock at India's doors and how such a calamity can be prevented."*** Acknowledgement by the Indian Government, for the first time in 2021, that the horrors of partition must be revisited in order to learn lessons from it.

Author ponders "Can the legacy of Partition in the form of the division of hearts between Hindus and Muslims end? Can they live together as one Nation? Or Jinnah's ghost will continue to haunt us forever?"

Valuable Addition

After nearly seven decades after Independence, a great political transition is taking place in the country and there is realignment of value system. This heralds emergence of a new India which wants to see history devoid of dogmas. Ram Madhav's book exposes several chinks in our freedom history and poses several fundamental questions. Therefore, it is a valuable addition to such a re-evaluation of events and individuals leading to the Partition of the country in our fight for freedom.

The book is very informative and provokes the readers to question the prevalent narratives about Partition of the country.

This book has meaningfully titled eleven chapters, authenticated by chapter-wise references, two annexures and supported by scientifically presented index. It is reasonably priced for its rich contents.

***NOTE:** *Even after Partition on the basis of two major religions, the apparition of the ghost of Partition seems to haunt both Pakistan and India. Any number of books on this theme may not help. Only a strong, Nationalist leadership can.* — **Ed**

Legal Aid Defense Counsel Office inaugurated in city

Principal District and Sessions Court Judge M. L. Raghunath (fifth from left) and DLSA Member-Secretary Devaraj Bhute (second from left) seen with Mysore Bar Association office-bearers after the inauguration of Legal Aid Defense Counsel office at Malalavadi Court Complex this morning.

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Lok Adalat on Feb.11

The first National Lok Adalat of the new year 2023 will be held in all City and District Courts on Feb.11.

Announcing this at a press meet at the Court Complex at Malalavadi (Jayanagar) here this morning, Principal District and Sessions Court Judge M.L. Raghunath said that the National Lok Adalat, which is an alternative Dispute Redressal Mechanism, is being held under the aegis of Mysuru District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), as per the directions of National Legal Services Authority, New Delhi and Karnataka State Legal Services Authority, Bengaluru.

Pointing out that there are a total of 1,12,113 cases pending at City, District and Taluk Courts, Judge Raghunath said that 34,927 of them have been identified for disposal through negotiation, mediation or compromise.

Noting that it has been planned to take up over 10,000 cases in Feb.11 Lok Adalat, which chiefly include Motor Vehicle Accident claims, Compoundable criminal cases, cases under Section 138 of Negotiable Instruments Act (Cheque Bounce cases), Pre-litigation Cases, Domestic Disputes, Domestic Disharmony and Marital Disputes etc., he appealed the litigants and members of the public to make use of this opportunity to amicably solve their long-pending cases.

Earlier, Judge M.L. Raghunath presented the Certificate of Appreciation issued by High Court Judge Justice B. Veerappa, who is also the Executive Chairman of Karnataka Legal Services Authority, Bengaluru, to Mysore Bar Association President M. Mahadevaswamy.

The letter is in appreciation to the Mysore Bar Association for its contribution in settlement / disposal of cases and the overwhelming co-operation extended by the Bar members for the grand success of the National Lok Adalats held in Mysuru.

Senior Civil Judge Devaraj Bhute, who is also the Member-Secretary of DLSA, Mysore Bar Association President M. Mahadevaswamy, Secretary Umesh, Joint Secretary P.S. Nagesh, Senior advocate Malappa and others were present on the occasion.

Manohara Sanje on Jan.21
to empower rural children

Mysuru, Jan.13 (MTY&TRR)- To raise funds for the empowerment of rural children, "Manohara Sanje," a Dance and Music programme has been organised on Jan.21 from 6 pm at Kalamandira in city, said Rtn. S.N. Raghavendra, Community Service Director, Rotary Club of Mysore Royal.

Speaking to press persons at Pathrakartara Bhavan recently, he stated that Rotary Royal is involved in social service activities over the years and is giving priority to the education and health of rural children by formulating series of programmes.

Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar will inaugurate the programme. Humourist and writer Prof. M. Krishnegowda, Rtn. Dharmendra Kumar, *Mr. Magic*-fame Rtn. Raj Bhat and others will participate. Entry will be free for the public.

DPR for Peripheral Ring Road

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In his letter seeking approval for hiring a Project Consultant on Oct. 28, 2022, MUDA Commissioner had stated that 'with the presence of commercial clusters, the industrial activities in Mysuru City will grow further, conducive for overall development. On the other hand, plans are on the anvil to upgrade Mysuru City Corporation as Bruhat MCC. Hence, it is essential to build a Peripheral Ring Road (PRR), which requires acquisition of 824 acres of land. The total project cost is estimated at Rs. 1,971 crore including Rs. 1,236 crore for land acquisition and Rs. 735 crore for road works.'

For preparing the DPR alone, Rs. 9.85 crore is required and hence seeking the approval for the said amount, and call for tender on the model of Expression of Interest to hire a Project Consultant.

The PRR is a 45-metre wide road estimated to run for 73.25 kms (up to 120 km).

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It is aimed at de-congesting the density of traffic on the present 42.5 km long six-lane Outer Ring Road that connects Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway, KRS road, Hunsur Highway, Bogadi road, H. D. Kote road, Nanjangud road, T. Narasipur road, Bannur road and Mahadevapura Road.

Obituary

B. Prakash

Mysuru, Jan. 13- B. Prakash (76), a resident of Ramanuja Road 1st Cross, passed away following brief illness at his residence in city this morning.

He leaves behind one son, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Veerashaiva Burial Grounds in Vidyaranyapuram this afternoon, according to family sources.

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Sd/- **M.N. Prakash Kalappa,**
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Email: mnprakashkalappa@gmail.com
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Notice is hereby issued to the general public that (1) **Smt. Hemalatha S. K.** W/o. Sri. Sunil Kumar G. M., residing at; Angadi Street, Kikkeri Village and Hobli, Mandya District, along with her family members has agreed to sell the Item No. 1 SCHEDULE PROPERTY to my client and (2) **Sri. Mahadevaswamy K. N.** S/o. Nanjundaswamy, residing at; No. 93, Doora Village, Jayapura Hobli, Mysuru Taluk, along with his family members has agreed to sell the **Item No. 2 and 3** SCHEDULE PROPERTY to my Client.

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Acharya Vidya Kula celebrates School Day

Mysuru, Jan. 13- Acharya Vidya Kula (AVK), Yelwal, celebrated *Kalasangama,* the 25th Annual Day of the School recently at the Open Air Theatre in the School Campus. Dr. Manik Bengeri, Writer and Columnist, was the chief guest. In her address, she outlined the duties and values to be kept in mind by Parents, Teachers and Students to make the process of education meaningful and productive.

The theme for this year's Cultural Programme was *Samskruti Bharati,* a celebration of the Cultural Heritage of India on the occasion of *Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.* Students of classes I to V presented short skits in English, Kannada and Sanskrit. They also performed dances of different States and regions of India. The School choir sang songs.

Mementos of appreciation were presented by the School Management to teachers who have completed ten and twenty years of service in the school, and to teachers in whose subjects students had scored cent percent marks in the ICSE Board Examination 2022. The Secretary of the School Vijaya Satish, Principal B.T. Sarojini and others were present.

Kala Vaibhava at Seshadripuram Independent PU College

Mysuru, Jan. 13 - *Kala Vaibhava,* the 7th Annual Day was celebrated by Seshadripuram Independent PU College, Mysuru recently at its Kuvempu Rangamandira.

Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy, who was the chief guest, inaugurated by the programme by lighting the lamp. Speaking on the occasion, she advised the students to cultivate 3 Ds — Dedication, Discipline and Devotion — in their life to achieve success.

She further opined that India is rich in art and culture and it is the prime duty of each and every one to take the Indian culture to greater heights.

The Annual Report was presented through a Power Point presentation by N. Archana Swamy, Principal, SIPUC. This was followed by Award Distribution Ceremony during which the following outgoing students were honoured:

Best NSS Volunteers: S. Dimple and V. Sathish; Best Library Patrons: Mayur G. Naidu and Nithya R. Chavan; Winners of 'Individual Champion' of Annual Sports: T.L. Sinchana and K. Kushal.

M.S. Nataraj, Honorary Assistant Secretary, Seshadripuram Group of Institutions, Bengaluru, presided. Students entertained the audience with dances, songs, mime show and drama on the theme 'Mother.'

N.N. Anil Kumar, Trustee, Seshadripuram Educational Trust, Prof. K. Sowmya Erappa, Principal, SDC, Academic and Non-Academic staff and students were present.

Vidhyarthi Yasho Vaibhava at Pragathi Elite Public School

Mysuru, Jan. 13- Pragathi Elite Public School, Bogadi, celebrated its Annual Day at Kalamandira in city recently.

Prof. Y. Sreekanth, Principal, Regional Institute of Education (RIE), Mysuru, was the chief guest. Chairman V. Venkatesh, Sr. Principal Jayashree Venkatesh, Administrator Karthik V. Kashyap, Committee members K. Govindaraju, P.S. Rajarathnam, Dr. Nagarathnamma, Principal V.V. Chaithra, Staff Members and a host of parents were present on the occasion. Students were awarded for excellence in academics and sports.

Later, the students presented a medley of cultural events titled *"Vidhyarthi Yasho Vaibhava"* which was well received by the audience.

Mahabodhi School celebrates Golden Jubilee

Mysuru, Jan. 13- The 50th Annual Day of Mahabodhi School was celebrated at Kalamandira here recently in the presence of Ven. Bhikkhu Ananda Bhanteji, Ven Dhammaratna Bhanteji, Ven. Dhammabodhi Bhanteji and Ven. Shobana Bhanteji.

Theatre Director Dr. B.V Rajaram was the chief guest. MCC Health Officer Dr. D.G. Nagaraj, Kannada and Culture Department Assistant Director Dr. M.D. Sudarshan and Krishna Murthy were the guests of honour.

School CEO Jigmet Wangdus Jothi welcomed and introduced the dignitaries. Education Coordinator and Consultant Venkateshwarlu presented report on the achievements of the academic year 2022-23. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Rajaram advised the children to choose the right path and reach their goals in life.

Dr. Nagaraj appreciated the School for the extraordinary health care that was taken during the pandemic as there were zero percentage positive cases from Mahabodhi School. Later, the guests distributed proficiency prizes and cash prizes for the students who excelled in academics. Ananda Bhanteji released Mahabodhi calendar while Dr. Rajaram has released the school's brochure. Padmini proposed a vote of thanks. Rani compered.

Champaka Academy Annual Day

Champaka Academy, a Pre-school chain with Day Care, celebrated the Annual Day of its Ramakrishnanagar, Hebbal and Gokulam Centres recently. Children performed dance, skit, subhashitani in Sanskrit and many more acts on the occasion. Founder Vidushi Nagalakshmi, Trustee Shrinivasan Nagarajan and co-partner Deepamani were present. Parents applauded the speaking skills of kids in the drama that was enacted on the occasion.

Chief Minister to inaugurate Vishnu Memorial on Jan. 29

Dr. Vishnuvardhan

Mysuru, Jan.13 (RK&DM)- More than 13 years after the versatile Kannada actor Dr. Vishnuvardhan passed away, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai will inaugurate Dr. Vishnuvardhan Memorial (Vishnu Memorial) being built at Halalu village near Udbur Gate on Mysuru-H.D.Kote road, at 11 am on Jan. 29.

Announcing this yesterday, actor Aniruddha, who is also the son-in-law of the late actor, said the Memorial has come up 13 years after Dr. Vishnuvardhan passed away in Mysuru on Dec. 30, 2009. Pointing out that CM Bommai has agreed to inaugurate the Memorial on Jan. 29, he said that District Minister S.T. Somashekar, MP Pratap Simha, Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda, Mayor Shivakumar, Dr. Vishnuvardhan's wife Dr. Bharathi Vishnuvardhan and other dignitaries will be present.

The Memorial at Halalu village has come up on a 5-acre plot at a cost of Rs.11 crore, the *bhoomi puja* (foundation stone) for which was performed in Sept. 2020. The Memorial features a 20-ft tall statue of Dr. Vishnuvardhan, a cinema gallery on the films of the late actor, an auditorium, a park, an acting training centre etc. The Memorial, constructed by the Mysuru District Administration and the Departments of Information and Public Relations and Tourism, is expected to become an important tourist spot.

It may be mentioned here that Dr. Vishnuvardhan was a resident of Chamundipuram here and did his schooling in Mysuru, before moving to Bengaluru. The late actor maintained a close association with Mysuru throughout his career and many of his films were shot in and around the cultural city.

Students take out march to spread Swami Vivekananda's message

The monks of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru, seen after garlanding the statue of Swami Vivekananda at Cheluvamba Park in Yadavagiri yesterday.

The student band troupe seen during the procession to mark National Youth Day on Jan. 12.

Mysuru, Jan.13 (MK&DM)- Marking Swami Vivekananda's 160th birth anniversary, which is celebrated across the country as National Youth Day, hundreds of students accompanied the 'Viveka Yuva Jagruti Ratha Yatra' organised under the joint aegis of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala and Sri Ramakrishna Institute of Moral and Spiritual Education (RIMSE), Yadavagiri on Thursday.

Sri Ramakrishna Ashram President Swami Muktidanandaji launched the march by offering floral tributes to the statue of Swami Vivekananda at Cheluvamba Park opposite Akashavani, Yadavagiri, KRS road.

Speaking on the occasion, Swami Muktidanandaji said that the day is a memorable one as it is a day to remember the spiritual and social messages of Swami Vivekananda, who had lot of hopes on youth power.

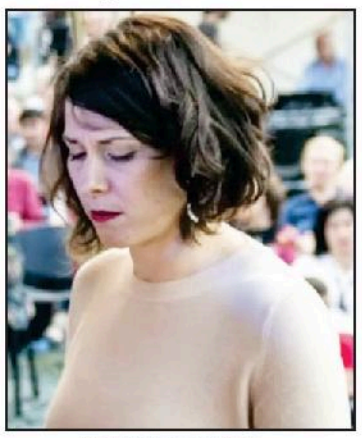
Noting that the National Youth Day must not be limited just for celebration, he said that the celebration must also enlighten the soul of youths as it is the youths who are the driving force of the country. He called upon the youths to make a pledge for saving the honour and dignity of the country and to have trust in the almighty and the power of soul.

The procession, in which hundreds of students took part, passed through Paduvarahalli, Mathrumandali Circle and Vontikoppal before culminating at Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala. Students from many city schools including Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala, CFTRI School, Mahajana High school, Sri Viveka Vidyalaya, Sadvidya, Marimallappa, Nirmala Convent, St. Joseph's schools and Government Schools in Yadavagiri, Vontikoppal and Paduvarahalli.

Swami Shivakantanandaji, Swami Mahamedanandaji, Swami Yukteshanandaji and others were present.

Musicians from Europe to give Special Lec-Dem in city on Jan. 16

Ned McGowen



Federica-Colangelo

Mysuru, Jan. 13- To promote exposure to other music genres among students, University College of Fine Arts has invited two eminent musicians from Europe for a Special Lecture- Demonstration on Western Classical Music.

The artistes delivering the lecture are Prof. Ned McGowan from Netherlands and Federica Colangelo from Italy.

The event will be held at Fine Arts College in Manasagangothri here on Jan. 16 at 11 am. Fine Arts College Principal Prof. Anita Vimla Braggs and HoD of Music Dr. Mysore Manjunath will be present.

Prof. Ned McGowan: A flautist and contemporary classical music composer, Ned McGowan was born in the United States and is living in the Netherlands for the past three decades. Known for rhythmical vitality and technical virtuosity, his music has won awards and been performed at Carnegie Hall, the Concertgebouw and other halls and festivals around the world by many orchestras, ensembles and soloists. As a flautist, he plays classical, contemporary and improvisation concerts internationally and he has a special love for the contrabass flute.

Federica Colangelo: Pianist and composer, Federica Colangelo was born in Rome and after studying classical piano, she moved to the Netherlands at the age of twenty, where she obtained a diploma in jazz piano and a Master's degree in contemporary composition.

In the years spent in Holland, India and Italy, she studied and collaborated with various musicians such as: Benoit Delbeq, Ned McGowan, John Taylor, Jeroen D'Hoe, B.C. Manjunath, Dr. Mysore Manjunath, Kristijan Kranjcan, Ermanno Baron, Dan Kinzelman, Simone Alessandrini.

Congress' *Prajadhwani Bus Yatra* in Mysuru, Chamarajanagar on Jan. 25

Mysuru, Jan. 13 (RKB&BS)- Ahead of State Legislative Assembly elections, Congress' *Prajadhwani Bus Yatra* will be touring Mysuru and Chamarajanagar Districts on Jan. 25. The *Yatra* will cover Chamarajanagar in the morning hours, before arriving in Mysuru in the afternoon.

A preparatory meeting in this regard was held at Congress party office in the city this morning. The meeting was attended by All India Congress Committee (AICC) Secretary Roji M. John, incharge of Karnataka, KPCC Working President R. Dhruvanarayan, Rajya Sabha member G.C. Chandrashekar and several other leaders.

In his clarion call to the party workers, Roji M. John said that "The recent *Mekedatu Yatra* and earlier *Ballari Padayatra* were successfully taken out in the State. Likewise, the *Bus Yatra* should also be made successful. Measures should be taken to publicise about the *Yatra* to reach more people."

Dhruvanarayan said that "There is no decision yet on the venues of the *Yatra* in Mysuru and Chamarajanagar. But the preparations are on to gather one lakh people in Mysuru on the instructions of Opposition Leader Siddharamaiah."

"This being the election year, we have to take it seriously. According to a survey, Congress has a chance to win and there are 48 seats in Mysuru division alone. It is necessary to win these seats," added Dhruvanarayan.

WORD OF THE DAY

Ascetic

Pronunciation: uh-SET-ik.
Meaning: Ascetic is a formal word used to describe people or things that are markedly simple and restrained in appearance, manner, or attitude. Its original meaning, still in use, is "practicing strict self-denial as a measure of personal and especially spiritual discipline," as in "an ascetic monk."
Origin: If you've been refraining from adding ascetic to your vocabulary, it's time to let your hair down and live a little! In other words, be the opposite of ascetic. Ascetic comes from askētikos, a Greek adjective meaning "laborious," and its earliest meaning in English implies the labor involved in abstention from pleasure, comfort, and self-indulgence as a spiritual discipline. These days, ascetic is also used to describe anyone or anything demonstrating marked restraint, plainness, or simplicity, even when no appeals to the divine or spiritual are attached, making it not unlike another adjective with connections to ancient Greece: spartan.
Example: "[T. S.] Eliot's bedroom was flamboyantly ascetic: a single bed, an ebony crucifix, a bare lightbulb hanging from a chain." — Michael Dirda

THE ODD WORD

Abscission

Cutting off; cutting away.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Add fuel to the fire

Meaning: The phrase 'Add fuel to the fire' means when you do or say something that makes a miserable situation even worse. 'Adding fuel to the fire' means to make a situation or conflict intensify, especially via provocative comments.
Origin: The direct opposite of "Add fuel to the fire" is "douse the flames". This is said when one tries to extinguish or calm down a situation.
Example: "I had plenty to say about the situation, but I was afraid I would add fuel to the fire. So I kept my mouth shut."

QUOTE BOX

The fire you kindle for your enemy often burns yourself more than them.

— Chinese Proverb

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer : Two black eyes.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 One of many in the BEST's fleet
4 Church leader
8 Admirers or devotees
12 Order of St. Augustine
13 Belonging to us
14 Overdue
15 Fireproofing stuff
17 Hebrew measure - "pa he" anagram ?
18 Unrefined
19 Salary, fee or earnings
21 Roman bronze
23 Sailing vessels for private cruising
27 Type of tooth
31 Carrying chair
32 Exclamation of contempt
33 Cleaned the floor
35 One of the Three Stooges ?
36 Name in violins
38 Infer from incomplete evidence
40 Gained back
42 Lump
43 Author Rice
45 Designations
49 Buddy
52 At odds
54 Maori war dance
55 A sporting side
56 Denial - "ton" anagram?
57 So be it
58 Over-concerned with physical attractions?
59 1000 litres in short

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

A	L	I	T	■	A	G	N	I	■	A	G	A
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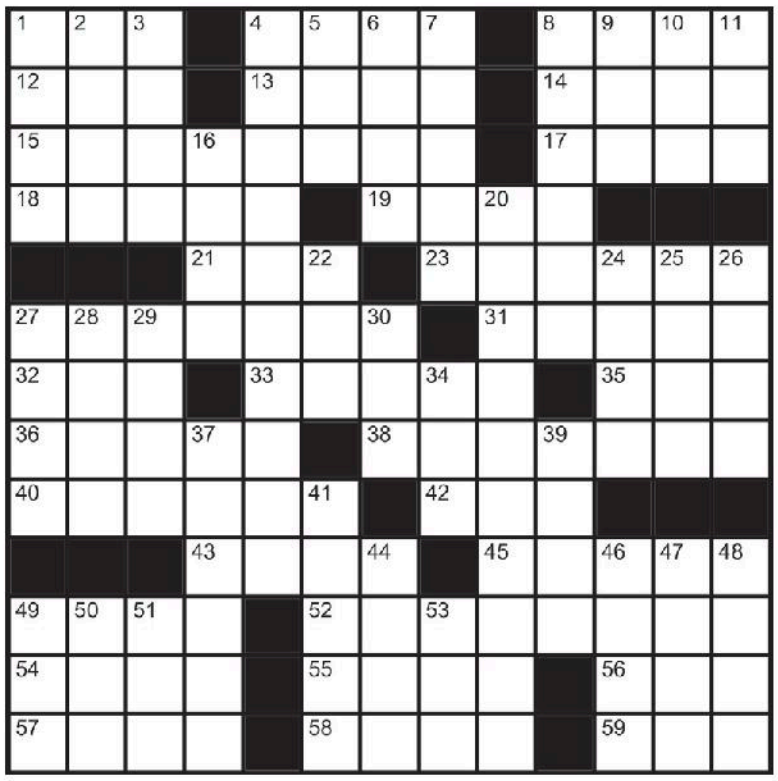
DOWN

1 Onetime UK airline
2 State dissolved in 1991
3 Wicket-keeper Karim of not so recent past
4 Ownership
5 Not within
6 The front of a ship
7 Literary composition
8 Overcharge
9 Arvind Kejriwal's party
10 Last in a long line
11 Vast expanse of water
16 Actor Morales
20 The art of good eating
22 Scatter the seeds for plantation
24 High Definition Multimedia Interface abbr
25 New Mexico art colony
26 Cut, snicker - "seen" anagram?
27 Construction piece
28 Renown or honour
29 Conversation between friends probably
30 Legal thing
34 Small stocky dog
37 With no exception? (2,1,3)
39 IIM grads.
41 Nautical speed rating
44 Fencer's blade
46 Kind of fur
47 Organic compound
48 Army three-stripers in short?
49 Indian tea
50 Overact
51 Small guitar
53 __ Romana : peace imposed by Julius Caesar, perhaps?



SUDOKU

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Answer to previous puzzle

7	3	1	8	5	4	2	6	9
9	8	4	7	6	2	1	3	5
2	6	5	9	1	3	7	8	4
8	9	2	6	7	1	4	5	3
5	4	6	3	2	8	9	1	7
1	7	3	5	4	9	8	2	6
3	2	9	4	8	6	5	7	1
4	5	8	1	3	7	6	9	2
6	1	7	2	9	5	3	4	8

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

LWX FHRZ LWAHI LWDL QDBXC RAUX MFCCAGRX

AC MXJQDHXHL, AHLFRXJDGRX EHPXJLDAHLZ;

HFL BHFOAHI OWDL PFQXC HXSL.

TODAY'S CLUE: I EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Hold a picture of yourself long and steadily enough in your mind's eye, and you will be drawn toward it.

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- **Balaji Theatre** — **Ph: 2497199**
  Kuttey (H) - 4 Shows
- **Uma Theatre** — **Ph: 2520009**
  Day and Someone (Te) - 4 Shows

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Orchestra Mysuru (K)	(S-2)	6.50 pm
Kuttey (H)	(S-1)	10.30 am
Varisu (Ta)	(S-1)	12.45 pm, 3.55 pm, 7.05 pm
	(S-2)	10.05 pm; (S-4) 9.45 am
Thunivu (Ta)	(S-1)	10.20 pm; (S-2) 4.00 pm
	(S-4)	1.05 pm, 7.15 pm
Manku Bhai Foxy Rani (K)	(S-2)	10.00 am
Avatar: The way of water (E-3D)	(S-2)	12.25 pm
Walter Veerayya (Te)	(S-3)	10.00 am, 6.50 pm, 9.55 pm
Vedha (K)	(S-3)	1.10 pm
Kuttey (H)	(S-3)	4.20 pm
Veera Simha Reddy (Te)	(S-4)	3.55 pm, 10.05 pm

MVC MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Orchestra Mysuru (K)	:	6.20 pm
Thunivu (Ta)	:	10 am, 4.15 pm, 7 pm, 9.45 pm
Varisu (Ta)	:	10 am, 1.15 pm, 4.30 pm, 7.45 pm
Veera Simha Reddy (Te)	:	10 am, 4.25 pm, 9.30 pm
Waltair Veerayya (Te)	:	10.10 am, 1.10 pm, 7.45 pm
Avatar: The Way of Water (K-3D)	:	12.50 pm
Vedha (K)	:	1.15 pm
Manku Bhai Foxy Rani (K)	:	4.10 pm

PVR CINEMAS — 4K Dolby 7.1

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Orchestra Mysuru (K)	:	6.35 pm
Varisu (Ta)	:	8.30 am, 12 noon, 3.30 pm 7 pm, 10.30 pm
Veera Simha Reddy (Te)	:	8.30 am, 12 noon, 3.30 pm 7 pm, 10.30 pm
Thunivu (Ta)	:	9.40 am, 12.45 pm, 3.50 pm 6.55 pm, 10 pm
Waltair Veerayya (Te)	:	11.45 am, 3.05 pm, 6.25 pm, 9.45 pm
Kuttey (H)	:	1.30 pm, 10.10 pm
Avatar: The Way of Water (E-3D)	:	4.05 pm
Plane (E)	:	4.05 pm, 10.25 pm
M3gan (E)	:	8 pm

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Waltair Veerayya (Te)	:	11.35 am, 6.50 pm, 10.30 pm
Varisu (Ta)	:	12 noon, 3.30 pm, 7 pm, 10.10 pm
Thunivu (Ta)	:	12.05 pm, 3.45 pm, 6.40 pm
Vedha (K)	:	12.25 pm
Avatar: The Way of Water (E-3D)	:	2.55 pm
Veera Simha Reddy (Te)	:	3.10 pm, 6.50 pm, 9.45 pm
Manku Bhai Foxy Rani (K)	:	10.20 pm

EVENTS TODAY (JAN. 13)

- **Sahara Art and Crafts Shopping Festival-2022:** Handicraft and Handloom expo-cum-sale, Scouts and Guides Grounds, behind DC's Office, **up to 9.30 pm.**
- **Centre for Gandhian Studies, University of Mysore (UoM) and Prof. O. Anantaramaiah's Odanadi Balaga, Mysuru:** Tribute to Prof. O. Anantaramaiah (First VC of Tumkur University and Chairman of DoS in History, UoM), UoM Acting VC Prof. K. Rajashekar and Kuvempu University retd. VC Prof. P. Venkataramaiah will offer floral tributes, Gandhi Bhavan, University premises, **4 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Seva Sangha - Ramakrishna Vidyakendra Composite PU College:** Kala Kalarava, 7th Annual College Day 2022-23, Sri Ramakrishna Seva Sangha President M. Papegowda presides, DDPU Nagamallesh and writer and senior lecturer of DIET Halathi Somashekar chief guests, Sri Sharada auditorium, College premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **4 pm.**
- **Baden Powell Public School:** 29th Annual School Day Fest 2022-23 (Grades V to X), Mayor Shivakumar chief guest, Baden Powell Education Society President P. Vishwanath presides, Kalamandira, **4 pm.**
- **Vishwaratna Charitable Trust and Honnusiri Multipurpose Co-operative Society:** Late M. Chethan Memorial Programme and Honnusiri Multipurpose Co-operative Society calendar release, senior journalist Amshi Prasannakumar inaugurates, Vishwaratna Charitable Trust President Dr. H.B. Somashekar presides, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), JLB Road, **5 pm.**
- **Sree Andal Mandiram Trust and Hebbar Sreevyshnava Rural District Upa Sabha, Mysuru:** Dhanurmasa Puja, Discourse on 'Thiruppavai' by Vid. M.K. Shelvanarayana, Mandiram premises, Temple Road, V.V. Mohalla, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Ganabharathi:** Flute Concert by Vidu. M.R. Sudha, accompanied by Vidu. Adhiti Krishnaprakash on violin, Vid. G.S. Ramanujan on mridanga and Vid. V.S. Ramesh on morching, Ganabharathi premises, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**
- **Sanchalana Mysuru:** Valedictory of State-level Children's Theatre and Folk Arts Festival, MUDA Chairman Yashaswi S. Somashekar, social worker K. Harish Gowda, Corporator J. Gopi, DDPI Ramachandra Raje Urs, Kannada & Culture Assistant Director Dr. M.D. Sudarshan and Rotary Mysore North President S.H. Jagadish will be present; Keyboard recital by B.M. Deekshith Aradhya; Staging of play 'Nayimari' by Natana School of Theatre Arts, written by Vaidehi, music by Megha Sameer and Disha Ramesh, directed by Hari Singh, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira, **6 pm.** [Entry free]
- **Sri Mahajana Sabha:** Tirupavai Kalakshepa (discourse) by Vid. Mudumbai Ramanuja Sharma, Sri Krishnamurthypuram Sri Rama Mandira, Kantaraja Urs Road, **6.15 pm to 7.15 pm.**
- **Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha, K.R. Vanam:** Tirupavai Kalakshepa (discourse) by Dr. N.K. Ramasheshan, Dr. Kamalaraman Mandira, **6.15 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple:** Discourse on 'Thiruppavai' by Vidu. B.K. Seethalakshmi, Temple premises, Tyagaraja Road, near Sai Baba Mandira, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JAN. 14)

- **Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple:** Dhanurmasa special pujas, Shattu Murai, Mahamangalarathi, **5 am to 6.30 am;** Discourse on 'Thiruppavai' by Vidu. B.K. Seethalakshmi, Temple premises, Tyagaraja Road, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram:** Swami Vivekananda's 161st birth anniversary celebrations, Vedic Chanting, **5.15 am;** Mangalarati and Bhajans, **5.30 pm;** Special Pujas, **7.30 pm;** Shivasahasranama Parayana, **8 am;** Bhajans, **9 am;** Reading, **10.30 am;** Arati, **10.45 am;** Homa, **11 am;** Bhajans by Sri Sharada Samvit Bhajana Mandali, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm;** Discourse in Kannada on 'Swami Vivekananda,' **6 pm to 6.50 pm;** Arati and Special Bhajans, Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **7 pm to 8 pm.**
- **Sarada Vilas PU College, Krishnamurthypuram:** Valedictory of Students Forum, DDPU Nagamallesh chief guest, Sarada Vilas Educational Institutions President Dr. B.M. Subraya, Sarada Vilas Educational Institutions Hon. Secretary N. Chandrashekar and Sarada Vilas PU College Academic Advisor Cap. Srinivasa Raghavachar special invitees, Sarada Vilas PU College Principal C.K. Ashok Kumar presides, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **10 am.**
- **Sahara Art and Crafts Shopping Festival-2022:** Handicraft and Handloom expo-cum-sale, Scouts and Guides Grounds, behind DC's Office, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**
- **Samskrutika Prakashana, Mysuru:** Book release — Dr. Chunchaiah's research book 'Mysuru mattu Chamarajanagara Jillegala Dravida Vastushilpada Prarambha mattu Belavanige' — by Deputy Inspector General (DIG) of Prisons and Correctional Services (South Range) M. Somashekar, Chief Superintendent of Mysuru Central Prisons K.C. Divyashree presides, Columnist and Mysuru Tahsildar (retd.) Dr. V. Ranganath speaks about the book, Mysuru Central Prisons Administrative Officer Dr. Chunchaiah will be present, writer and book adviser Samskruti Subramanya delivers keynote address, S.P. Bhat Hall, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), JLB Road, **11 am.**
- **Military Veterans Welfare Association, Mysuru:** Armed Forces Veterans Day, honouring of widows and dependents of war martyrs and small briefing regarding the Indian Armed Forces Veterans Day, Jaladarshini Guest House, Hunsur Road, **11 am.**
- **Sri Mahajana Sabha:** Tirupavai Kalakshepa (discourse) by Vid. Mudumbai Ramanuja Sharma, Sri Krishnamurthypuram Sri Rama Mandira, Kantaraja Urs Road, **6.15 pm to 7.15 pm.**
- **Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha, K.R. Vanam:** Tirupavai Kalakshepa (discourse) by Dr. N.K. Ramasheshan, Dr. Kamalaraman Mandira, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Road, **6.15 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **The National Educational Social Trust (NEST):** Staging of play 'Chora Charanadasa,' written by Habeeb Tanveer and directed by Mandya Ramesh, The NEST premises, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, **6.30 pm.**
- **Parivarthana Ranga Samaja:** Staging of play 'Raavi Nadiya Dandeyalli' (written by Asgar Wazahat in Hindi and translated into Kannada by Dr. Tippeswamy), Designed and Directed by Prof. S.R. Ramesh, Shivaji Rao Jadhav (of Jote Joteyali TV serial Subbu-fame) on stage in a prominent role rendering shayaries, Kirurangamandira, **7 pm.**

INOX LIVE the MOVIE

Mall of Mysore - Mob. : 7829999465

Orchestra Mysuru (K)	(S-4)	6.00 pm
Varisu (Ta)	(S-1)	12.25 pm, 3.50 pm, 10.30 pm
	(S-2)	9.30 am
Thunivu (Ta)	(S-1)	9.30 am; (S-3) 3.45 pm
	(S-2)	7.20 pm, 10.20 pm
Walatair Veerayya (Te)	(S-1)	7.15 pm
	(S-2)	12.50 pm, 4.05 pm
	(S-3)	9.25 am, 10.10 pm
Veera Simha Reddy (Te)	(S-3)	6.45 pm; (S-4) 11.10 am, 2.35 pm
Vedha (K)	(S-3)	12.35 pm
Avatar: The Way of Water (E-3D)	(S-4)	9.50 pm

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Orchestra Mysuru (K)	(S-4)	4.00 pm
Varisu (Ta)	(S-1)	3.55 pm
Varisu (Tamil Atmos)	(S-2)	9.35 am, 7.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Thunivu (Ta)	(S-1)	9.50 am, 7.20 pm, 10.20 pm
Thunivu (Tamil atmos)	(S-2)	12.50 pm
Waltair Veerayya (Te)	(S-1)	12.40 pm
	(S-3)	10.00 am, 6.55 pm, 10.10 pm
Waltair Veerayya (Telugu Atmos)	(S-2)	3.50 pm
Kuttey (H)	(S-3)	1.05 pm; (S-4) 7.30 pm
Veera Simha Reddy (Te)	(S-3)	3.30 pm
	(S-4)	10.05 am, 10.00 pm
Manku Bhai Foxy Rani (K)	(S-4)	1.30 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

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